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## School Notes

Verne Clark has re-entered school. High school play next week Friday evening.

Miss Andrus was unable to meet her classes Monday because of illness. Earl Davis is a new pupil in the Junior High school.

The 5th A geography class has begun the study of Alaska.

The members of the 5th B geography class are making product maps.

Lincoln's birthday was appropriately observed in nearly all rooms Monday.

In commemoration of Lincoln's birthday Mr. Ellsworth read "The Perfect Tribute" to the High school for morning exercises this week.

The 2nd A class have taken a great interest in the dramatization of the story called "The Shoe." Later they will dramatize the story of the "Wolf" and the "Seven Young Kids."

If the eight grade civil government class should bother you with questions about our local government, don't be impatient. They are trying to learn more than they can find "between the covers."

The 7th A reading class are much interested in the "Legend of the Moor's Legacy," but the story was given a new turn when a pupil read, "By the well sat a man in a Moorish garb with a box of scandalwood in his lap."

The Frederic High school basketball teams are to meet on teams on the home court Friday night. Frederic has two good teams and they will give us the best games we have had on our floor this season. Each of our teams won out at Frederic by only one point. The games were practically a tie in each. Hence it can be easily seen that a hot contest is coming.

Prof. W. D. Henderson of the University of Michigan will deliver a lecture in the school auditorium next week Thursday evening at eight o'clock, under the auspices of the Mothers' club. Prof. Henderson is one of the most popular lecturers of the University. He has the ability to take even a dry and abstract subject and make it most interesting and entertaining. His subject for this occasion is "The Boy Problem." All parents in Grayling and the surrounding country should hear this. Admission free.

Miss Elsie Sparkes has discontinued work in our Commercial department and is now assistant book-keeper in the Bank of Grayling.

"The Elopement of Ellen" is the title of the High school play that is to be given next week Friday evening. Miss Wells, our High school principal, is drilling the young people and getting them in readiness for the event. The following is the cast of characters: Richard Ford, a devoted young husband—Roy Case; Molly, his wife—Mary Cassidy; Robert Shepherd, Molly's brother—Benton Jorgenson; Max Ten Eyck, a chum of Robert's—Carlton Mellstrup; Dorothy Mark, engaged to Max—Lucile Hanson; June Haverhill, Wellesley '06, who is doing some special investigations for economics courses during the summer—Ferne Armstrong; John Hume, Rector of St. Agnes—Emerson Bates.

### BASKET BALL

The Grayling boys and girls played in West Branch last Friday night and carried home one victory and one defeat. The girls' score was 32 to 4 in favor of West Branch, and the boys won over their opponents 55 to 22. The girls' game was somewhat rough, and being on a strange floor our girls were unable to play either a good defensive or good offensive game. The West Branch girls had the ball under their basket a greater part of the time and thus had more trials for baskets and eventually ran up a larger score.

The boys' game was a cross between

a basket ball game and a football game. Our boys out-classed their opponents in every respect and had the game begin on our own floor: our boys would have won by a greater margin than when we played West Branch here. Considering the dirty playing which their opponents tried to hand them, our boys deserve a great deal of credit for playing as clean as they did. This was West Branch's last game this season and it must have been their intention to make it a victory at any cost.

### TRIP FROM SEATTLE TO ST. PAUL.

**Former Grayling Boy Writes Interesting Letter of His Journey.**

(Note—The writer of the following letter, Hardin C. Sweeney, is now 2nd lieutenant in 2nd U. S. Inf., located at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.)

Of the three roads across the continent you decide on the Chicago-Milwaukee and St. Paul. You purchase your ticket at the office on Second avenue and Cherry St., at the same time reserving your berth for a number of days ahead, in order to be able to get a lower. The Columbian and Olympian are the crack trains of the Milwaukee. You decide to take the Columbian which leaves King St. station at 7:30 o'clock.

Seattle is a city of about 250,000 population and now ranks second among cities of the United States in world's commerce. The Smith building, owned by the L. C. Smith typewriter company, is forty-four stories high and is the tallest building west of New York City. Seattle is situated on the eastern shore of Puget Sound, and also overlooks Lake Washington, one of the most beautiful inland lakes in the country.

To reach the Orient, a person has the choice of several routes. The Blue Funnel, Canadian Pacific, Nippon Yusen Kaisha or Osaka Shosen Kaisha lines, sail direct for Honolulu, Manila, Hong Kong, Nagasaki, Shanghai and Yokohama. Alaska is reached by the steamers of the Alaska Steamship and Border Line Transportation companies. The Grand Trunk Pacific steamers, Prince Rupert, Prince George and Prince Chelohisen make a daily trip from Seattle to Vancouver and British Columbia. The liners for San Francisco belong to the Northern Pacific and the Pacific coast steamship companies.

Eighteen miles west of Seattle is the city of Bremerton, where the United States naval yards are situated. One of the main features of the naval yards is the dry dock, which is 770 feet long and 100 feet in depth. It is capable of accommodating the largest war ships. The city of Bremerton is reached by a number of commercial boats. The best boat is the steamer H. B. Kennedy, which makes the run in fifty minutes.

West of Bremerton rise the Olympians. These are the last range of mountains on the Pacific coast. The sun sets in this mountain district and is very beautiful, more so on account of the blending of the snows of the range and the waters of the Sound.

Your baggage is taken to the depot by a drayman and you spend the remaining hours visiting the State fisheries or some other point of interest. At seven-thirty you are aboard your train and a few minutes later you are leaving Seattle and Puget Sound behind.

After leaving the city you enter the watershed district of Seattle. After travelling thru these for about forty miles your train enters the Cascades. There you cross the first line of snow. Mt. Rainier is the point of interest in this district. This mountain is 14,444 feet in height and is not rivalled in the Cascades.

A particular incident I observed in crossing the mountains. It was a little after midnight, the engine broke down, it was on the western slope of the mountain range. The train in stopping awakened me and desiring to know where we were, I raised the shade of the berth. I beheld a sight, which, could an artist paint it, would have made him famous. Mt. Rainier's snow capped peak towered above the surrounding mountains and above the moon, breaking thru the clouds, threw a silver sheen over the landscape and seemed to crown Mt. Rainier, the "King of the Mountains."

At three A. M., we entered the Kittitas valley, noted for its red wheat and fruit raising; this will be the future apple country.

Nine A. M., found us in Spokane, the eastern city of Washington. It is the western portal of the Bitter Root mountains and has a population of 135,657 inhabitants.

Leaving Spokane the train again enters a range of mountains, this time the Bitter Roots. One hour after leaving Spokane the state of Idaho is reached. It is a state famous for its mineral and lumber industries. Lake Coeur D'Alene is one of the natural scenic points in Idaho; Lake Chatcolet and the silvery St. Joe river other points of interest. Some great engineering feats have been performed in crossing these mountains. Valleys two hundred feet deep have been filled in or crossed by trestle. The train

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### PETER LOVELY DIED.

**Pioneer Resident of Grayling was 86 Years Old.**

Peter Lovely, pioneer resident of Grayling for the past thirty years passed away at his home late Sunday afternoon. The cause of death was paralysis. He suffered the first stroke about three years ago, which had left him an invalid ever since. During the three years at different intervals, he received strokes, which would render him unconscious for several days, and his recovery at a number of times was doubted, but at each time he would rally. During his illness his daughter, Miss Minnie Lovely was ever at his side, and had taken constant care of him.

The old gentleman was 86 years of age and was born in Canada. About 32 years ago he with his family moved from that country to Bay City, where he remained for a couple of years and came to Grayling in 1887, where he had made his home until his death. He was the father of 15 children 10 of whom are living, also he was grandfather of 36 children, and Great Grandfather of 12 children. The children are four daughters, Mrs. David LaMotte, Mrs. Simon Sivas, and Miss Minnie Lovely of this city, Mrs. Theodore Gendron of Frederic, and six sons, Jerry, Isaac, Paul, Peter, Oliver of this city, and David of Hardgrove. Besides the ten children, an aged wife is left to mourn him.

The funeral was held at St. Mary's church, of which he was a devoted member, Wednesday morning at 9:00 o'clock, and was officiated at by Rev. F. C. Riess, and interment was made in Elmwood cemetery.

The Lovely family are well known in Grayling and vicinity and have the sympathy of many friends in their bereavement.

Mrs. Frebom McDermid, and Mrs. Wm. Green of Flint, Miss Celia Sivas of Bay City, Mrs. Theodore Gendron of Frederic, and David Lovely of Hardgrove from out-of-town were in attendance at the funeral Wednesday morning.

### Early Hatching Brings Winter Eggs.

Early hatching is the secret of winter egg production, say specialists in the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The pullet that is hatched early matures early and is ready to lay eggs in the fall when the supply is scarcest and prices highest. Chickens that are expected to be revenue producers for their owners later in the year should be out of their shells by April 30 at the latest. If they are properly cared for thereafter they will begin to lay eggs at the very time that eggs are most wanted.

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It is when you have a severe cold that you appreciate the good qualities of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Mrs. Frank Crocker, Pana, Ill., writes: "Our five-year old son Paul caught a severe cold last winter that settled on his lungs and he had terrible coughing spells. We were greatly worried about him as the medicine we gave him did not help in the least. A neighbor spoke so highly of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy that I got a bottle of it. The first dose benefited him so much that I continued giving it to him until he was cured."

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Breakfast Foods (average)	.37 1/2	Lb. 5350 energy units
Mutton	.22	Lb. 6700 energy units
Pork Chops	.22	Lb. 6980 energy units
Cheese	.35	Lb. 5390 energy units
Milk	.08	Qt. 7880 energy units
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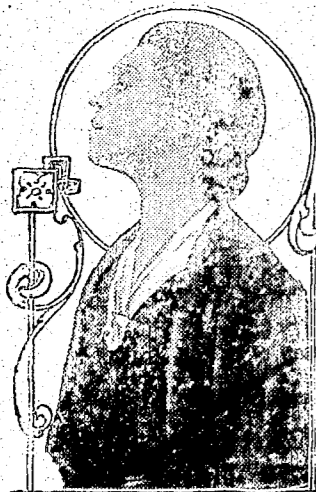
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**Flint**—An increase in pay of \$10 a month has been granted teachers in the public schools by the board of education.

**Traverse City**—The farm home of J. C. Howe at Old Mission, one of the most beautiful residences in this part of the state, burned with a loss of about \$10,000.

**Sault Ste. Marie**—Three children, all less than 16 years old, belonging to Toive Vaughton of this city, have arrived from Finland, making the entire trip unaccompanied.

**Ionia**—County Clerk G. W. Moulton received word from the attorney general that a primary election must be held in Ionia county despite the fact that there is only one candidate.

**Detroit**—A cat's alarm probably saved the lives of nine people in a fire caused by defective wiring. The pussy was almost strangled by the smoke and "yowled" so lustily that the people in the house were awakened.

**Lansing**—Upon application of Alex. J. Groesbeck, attorney general, Judge Walter North, of Battle Creek, has issued an order to show cause why a receiver should not be appointed to wind up the affairs of the Battle Creek Building & Loan association.

**Alma**—That shadowy monster, the high cost of living, received a bad wound when it was announced that the 81 girls in the eighth grade graduating class here had each made her own graduating dress at a cost not exceeding \$1.50 in any single case.

**Kalamazoo**—Milo C. Dunn, chief engineer at the new Burdick hotel, was literally cooked when a fire in a boiler near which he was standing burst, permitted a volume of hot water and steam to escape upon him. He was placed in a local hospital where he died later.

**Houghton**—The body of one of the men missing in the Isle Royale No. 1 shaft was found hanging in the shaft timbers about 200 feet below the twelfth level from which he fell. The body was naked, the tremendous force of falling so far having torn the clothing off.

**Grand Rapids**—"More daylight" for Grand Rapids the first Sunday in March until the last of September by starting work one hour earlier in the morning and quitting an hour earlier in the afternoon is recommended in a report of a special committee to the committee of 100 of the Association of Commerce.

**Muskegon**—Will Ottman, a fireman, was arrested here charged with causing fires which caused a loss estimated at close to \$100,000. Ottman's accusers are two other firemen, Edward Delong and Charles Dobb. The men say they followed Ottman, saw him set fire to a barn and, after extinguishing the blaze, captured their man.

**Lansing**—The railroad commission has disposed of the complaints of stockmen against carriers. No changes in the rates are ordered, and the same minimum is established as in nearby states. If a stockman now orders a double decker, and is shipped a single decker, the rates of the carrier based on the car ordered, it was decided.

**Ypsilanti**—John Wilkerson, employed by the Detroit, Jackson & Chicago Ry., was seriously injured at the freight shed while attempting to make a connection from the wire to the trolley with a switch bar. The shock caused Wilkerson to fall from the top of the car to the pavement below, breaking his collar bone and fracturing his skull.

**Hillsdale**—Live stock shippers of this county are having trouble getting their stock shipped because of an embargo on the New York Central lines. W. H. Croose and W. W. Cooper, who wanted to ship two carloads from Litchfield to Buffalo, were unable to get cars, and had to drive the stock across country to Homer, eight miles, and ship it over the Michigan Central road.

**Flint**—William George Law, mentioned in Berlin dispatches as one of the Americans who will not leave Germany, is a native of this city and practiced dentistry five years hereafter graduating from the University of Michigan. Twelve years ago he went to Berlin, where he specialized as an orthodontist. He is now the recognized European authority in his field, and has been the dentist to the royal German family for several years.

**Greenville**—The Michigan Garment Co., of Grand Rapids, is to move here.

**Detroit**—A complete division of 20,000 Armenians will be formed, representing every Armenian colony in the country if needed by the U. S. to fight Germany. The Armenians will outfit themselves and give other financial aid, if necessary.

**Lansing**—"Anniversary clinics" form a new feature in the activities of the state board of health tuberculosis survey. One year after the date when a county tuberculosis survey is held the physicians of the county are encouraged to hold free examinations to celebrate the anniversary.

**Flint**—The \$10,000 damage suit brought by Mrs. Alice E. Loveless, of Clio, against two Birch Run saloon-keepers and their sureties, for alleged injury to her means of support through the sale of liquor to her son, William, who later met with an accident, came to a sudden close when the litigants came to a settlement out of court. The plaintiff is reported to have been well paid in the stipulation.

**Flint**—It cost William Bunnell, jitney bus driver, \$15 to stage a motor race along North Saginaw street with Police Sergeant Floyd Jewell, who was driving the police patrol on an emergency call. The patrol signaled for the jitney 'bus to turn out of the way, but instead it sped on and 14 city blocks were passed before the patrol nosed out ahead in the race and Bunnell was placed under arrest for speeding.

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**Would Get Him Out.**  
A school-inspector, who was examining a class of boys in arithmetic, set the following question:

"If a cat fell into a bottomless pit, and climbed up two feet for every three it fell, how long would it take to get out?"

This proved a regular puzzler to the lads, and one little fellow went at the problem with a will, and covered both sides of his slate with calculations.

"Here!" exclaimed the inspector, as he noticed him hard at work. "Stop doing that. Haven't you the sense to see that the cat couldn't possibly get out?"

"Oh, yes, he could, sir," replied the boy, brightly. "If you'll only give me time I'll bring him out at Australia."

**Lived in One Room 82 Years.**  
Croydon, England, has lost by death a trader who, in an interesting way, carried on the trading traditions of the past. He was Robert Brain, who died at eighty-five years old in a room over the little old-fashioned shop in which he had lived for 82 years. Mr. Brain was reputed to be the largest individual ratepayer in the borough, paying the corporation about £800 a year.—London Chronicle.

**Man Who Knows.**  
"The doctor says I am working too hard."  
"I'd put more faith in that diagnosis if it came from your boss."

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PLAN 1300 MILES  
OF GOOD ROADS

IN ADDITION TO STATE ROADS COUNTIES WILL ALSO BUILD ABOUT 300 MILES.

**LARGE SUM IS AVAILABLE**  
Highway Commissioner Estimates That About \$1,000,000 Auto License Money Will Be Available.

Lansing—Approximately 1,300 miles of good roads are planned for the coming year by State Highway Commissioner Frank F. Rogers.

While a part of this work is dependent on the action of the state legislature in arranging so that the portion of the federal appropriation for post roads will become available, only about 75 miles comes under that plan.

According to Mr. Rogers' estimates, there will be available for the building of good roads from the automobile license fees this year \$1,000,000. The trunk line fund will add \$550,000 and the expense fund \$30,000 more, which will make a total of \$1,580,000 of state money, not counting in the federal appropriation, which will jump these figures \$145,000 at least and possibly \$291,000 more than that. The \$145,000 is due and payable June 30 of this year, while \$291,000 is the federal appropriation for the next fiscal year and Mr. Rogers hopes to get that in advance.

Besides the 1,300 miles of road the state money will build, the state highway head believes that practically 300 miles will be built by townships and road districts over which the state will have practically no control.

While the federal money is only expected to pay for 75 miles of the total good roads, its contribution will be the most important work of the entire year. Under the plans of Mr. Rogers, the federal money will be used entirely to fill up gaps in the trunk lines as originally laid out by the legislature. By filling up 75 miles of gaps, the authorities expect to make continuous trunk lines totaling nearly 1,000 miles.

**WARDEN GIVEN MORE POWER**  
Proposed to Give Game Department Control of All Appointments.

Lansing—Important changes in the laws, governing the administration of the public domain commission, are contemplated in a bill now being prepared on behalf of the state game, forest and fish department.

The measure will place in the hands of the state game warden the control of the activities, appointment, salaries, etc., of the entire force of deputies. Provisions are made for "conservators," but the bill specifies that the entire expense and salary list must be kept within the receipts of the department, derived from the sale of fishing and hunting licenses.

The deputies are limited to salaries of not less than \$2.50 a day, and not more than \$4. All the powers and duties of the public domain commission, relative to the conservation of game, fish and forest, are vested, under the proposed law, in the state game, fish and forest commissioner, the latter term supplanting the appellation "warden."

**FARMERS ARE IN MAJORITY**  
Forty Tillers of Soil Represent People in Legislature.

Lansing—Farmers and lawyers control the present legislature. There are an even 40 farmers, and 31 exponents of the law. In the senate there are eight lawyers and five farmers. For the house the farmers outnumber the lawyers by 12.

There are 35 former lower house members. Eighteen members are merchants, six editors, four doctors, three printers, while of bankers, manufacturers, insurance agents, real estate dealers, and street railway employees there are each two. Then there are one vessel agent, one contractor, one oil dealer, one laundryman, one salesman, one clerk, one schoolmaster, one hotel keeper, one cigar manufacturer, one carpenter, one barber and one tailor. Five are retired from active business, while there are five unclassified in the legislative handbook just from the printer.

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Another effort is being made by the public domain commission to clear state title to unsurveyed lands on Hansen's Island, St. Clair Flats. Rep. Moore, of Port Huron, introduced the bill.

Rep. Warner wants townships allowed to vote, on petition of 25 or more residents, on whether or not they want to create the office of township weed commissioner. Should they create it, the township officials are to pay the weed commissioner and the latter is to see that all noxious weeds are eliminated.

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## MICHIGAN NEWS BRIEFS

While seated in a chair at her home at Pontiac, Mrs. George Hughes died of apoplexy.

L. P. Andre, a farmer living near Hesperia, narrowly escaped death when he was caught by a falling tree.

Run over by his team of horses when he slipped in front of them, A. W. Hurr, owner of a hotel at Pontiac, sustained serious injuries.

Fifty thousand dollars for a new club house fund was raised in less than 20 minutes at the annual meeting of the Automobile Country club of Detroit.

Mrs. H. W. Mathews of Saginaw was badly cut about the head and suffered other injuries which may prove fatal when she fell down stairs in a neighbor's home.

Duncan McDonald, a prominent resident of Sault Ste. Marie, was choked to death in a hotel here. Frank Lage, a woods foreman is said to have made a full confession.

Michigan legislatures during the period—1905-1915—enacted 2,014 general laws. During the past five years congress and the 48 states enacted a total of 51,650 laws.

An order was issued by Judge North asking why a receiver should not be appointed to wind up the affairs of the Battle Creek Building & Loan association. Hearing was set for February 15.

Development plans involving the expenditure of \$30,000 on Wyandotte's park site have been filed. Since the site was purchased four years ago, no work has been done on it. It is 1,000 feet long, 700 feet wide and faces the Detroit river.

Changes in the Grand Trunk schedule on the Detroit, Grand Haven & Milwaukee and Michigan Air Line railways, cut off much of the service which has been given Pontiac. Three trains a day are removed on the main line and two a day from the Air line.

The board of education, of Pontiac, has approved specifications for additions to be built on the Wilson, Central school and the high school, and has directed the architects to ask for bids. Enrollment in the schools has grown so rapidly that the additions will be needed by next September.

Announcement is made of the purchase by the Olympia Motors Co. of the entire plant of the Cartercar Co. on the Franklin Road, at Pontiac. Possession will be given on April 1. The Olympia company is planning on an addition 100 by 800 feet for use as an assembling plant.

Recommendation of Michigan Central directors that an improvement mortgage be executed to secure a bond issue of \$100,000,000 was approved by stockholders at a meeting at Detroit. It is expected that the new financing will care for a number of subsidiary Michigan lines which were merged with the company recently.

While the body of William Payne, of Flint, was being taken from his residence to a church in an automobile hearse, a D. V. R. car crashed into the rear of the vehicle. The corpse was badly shaken in the crash. The hearse was carried 60 feet on the front of the car. It is estimated that \$1,000 damage was done to the funeral car.

William Rathbone was awarded \$11,000 for injuries received on a Detroit United Railway car bound from Detroit to Port Huron in the fall of 1909. The car hit a 12-ton steam roller near Marysville when speeding along at 65 miles an hour. The verdict was rendered against the Detroit United Railway and the Good Roads Construction company in Judge Codd's court at Detroit.

An unconscious man hanging part way out of an open window of the second-story of a rooming house in Detroit attracted the attention of a policeman and saved the lives of 10 other men in the house. The officer entered the house and found men in a stupor lying in every room, overcome by gas from a leaking main escaping in the house through the water service pipe.

Traverse City and Petoskey had their inning before Examiner Laroe, of the interstate commerce commission, at the freight rate hearing at Grand Rapids. Vigorous complaints against the basic percentage now in force were voiced by leading manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers, and attempts were made to show that the present rate is discriminatory and detrimental to the commercial interests of northern Michigan.

Herbert H. Dow, president of the Dow Chemical Co., of Midland, in a letter to W. B. Mershon, of Saginaw, flatly denies that his company is in any way responsible for pollution of the Tittabawassee river, as charged by the Tittabawassee authorities. It is the state health authorities. It is using no rat, he declares, and he offers to demonstrate that goldfish will live in the sewage from the plant. He suggests the sewage from the cities along the river as the possible source of greatest pollution.

Nelson Flury probably will recover from injuries received at the Cheboygan Paper mill when a steam valve and pipe burst, scalding him about the face and arms. In order to escape death, Flury was compelled to jump 15 feet to a lower roof.

The Flint board of education appropriated money to further military science in the local high school. A bond will be filed with the chief of ordinance of the United States war department in exchange for new army rifles and 40 rounds of ammunition for each cadet.

An open air school for tubercular children may be erected in Dowagiac as a result of agitation which has followed the anti-tuberculosis health clinic recently conducted here by the state board of health. The school is recommended by health authorities.

Funeral processions in Manistowic have lost their "dignity." Cab drivers have declared that they will no longer wear silk hats and green Prince Alberts adorned with brass buttons at funerals. They say they will quit first. Employers say they will not insist on the formality.

## Backache

In spite of the best care one takes of oneself, any part of the human machine is liable to become out of order. The most important organs are the stomach, heart and kidneys.

The kidneys are the scavengers and they work day and night in separating the poisons from the blood. Their signals of distress are easily recognized and include such symptoms as backache, depression, drowsiness, irritability, headache, dizziness, rheumatic twinges, droopy, gout.

"The very best way to restore the kidneys to their normal state of health," says Dr. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., "is to drink plenty of pure water and obtain from your favorite pharmacy a small amount of Anuric, which is dispensed by almost every druggist." Anuric is inexpensive and should be taken before meals. You will find Anuric more potent than lithia, dissolves uric acid as water does sugar.

A Logical Conclusion. "Did you really call this gentleman an old fool last night?" said the judge severely. "The prisoner tried hard to collect his thoughts."

"The more I look at him the more likely it seems that I did," he replied.

**SWAMP-ROOT FOR KIDNEY DISEASES**  
There is only one medicine that really stands out pre-eminent as a remedy for diseases of the kidneys, liver and bladder.

Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root stands the highest for the reason that it has proven to be just the remedy needed in thousands upon thousands of even the most distressing cases. Swamp-Root, a physician's prescription for special diseases, makes friends quickly because its mild and immediate effect is soon realized in most cases. It is a gentle, healing vegetable compound.

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However, if you wish first to test this great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure and mention this paper.—Adv.

**Extreme Caution.**  
"Jenks' fad is insisting that everything in life must have flavor."  
"Yes, he will not even sit down to a table unless sure the food is seasoned."

**ACTRESS TELLS SECRET.**  
A well known actress gives the following recipe for gray hair: To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and 4 oz. of glycerine. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and make it soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off. Adv.

**A Hint.**  
"Oh, I just love animals; don't you?"  
"Gurled the sweet young thing."  
"Sure. Let's have a Welsh rabbit," said the accommodating youth.—Town Topics.

**YES! LIFT A CORN OFF WITHOUT PAIN!**  
Cincinnati man tells how to dry up a corn or callus so it lifts off with fingers.

You corn-pestered men and women need suffer no longer. Wear the shoes that nearly killed you before, says this Cincinnati authority, because a few drops of freezone applied directly on a tender, aching corn or callus, stops soreness at once and soon the corn or hardened callus loosens so it can be lifted off, root and all, without pain.

A small bottle of freezone costs very little at any drug store, but will positively take off every hard or soft corn or callus. This should be tried, as it is inexpensive and is said not to irritate the surrounding skin.

If your druggist hasn't any freezone tell him to get a small bottle for you from his wholesale drug house.—adv.

An automobile factory is to be established in Cork, Ireland.

**SAFETY**  
is the dominant idea back of Urban Realty First Mortgage Bond Certificates. Both principal and 5% interest are GUARANTEED and secured by more than \$2 for every \$1 invested—besides the \$200,000.00 paid-up capital of this company.

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Women who feel weak, languid and depressed—who look pale and dull-eyed, and have lost appetite and fresh looks—need a tonic that will purify the blood, help the organs of digestion, regulate the liver and bowels, and strengthen the system. It long has been known that

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**Innocent Recreation.**  
Father had demanded a heart-to-heart talk with his only son. "I am told that you are given to gambling," he said sternly. "I admit it," the son acknowledged, "but only for small stakes."

"Oh, as long as it is for something to eat I don't mind," the father said.

**A DELICIOUS DINNER**  
Break a quarter package of Skinner's Macaroni into boiling water; boil ten or twelve minutes, drain and blanch. Take equal parts of cold chicken, boiled Macaroni and tomato sauce; put in layers in a shallow dish and cover with buttered crumbs. Bake until brown. Just try this once. Skinner's Macaroni can be secured at any good grocery store.—Adv.

Don't think that because you owe your doctor for saving your life he will take it in settlement for the bill.

Whenever there is a tendency to constipation, sick headache or biliousness, take a cup of Garfield Tea. All druggists. Adv.

No man is tall enough to be above neighborly criticism.

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It will quiet your cough, soothe the inflammation of a sore throat and lungs, stop the irritation in the bron

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, FEB. 15

## Council Proceedings.

A regular meeting of the common council of the village of Grayling convened at the Town hall Monday evening, Feb. 6, 1917. Meeting called to order by H. Petersen, president. Trustees present—Jorgenson, Milks, Cook, McCullough and Canfield. Taylor absent. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Finance committee's report read, to wit:

To the president and members of the Common Council of the village of Grayling: Your committee on Finance, Claims and Accounts respectfully recommend that the accompanying bills be allowed as follows:

1. C. C. Fehr, fire report, Jan. 11	\$26.25
2. Wm. McCullough, repairing snow plow	1.50
3. J. H. Shults, village orders	1.81
4. Grayling Electric Co., any, Dec. service	124.00
5. Julius Nelson, pay roll ending Jan. 31	78.76
6. O. Palmer, insurance	8.75
7. Salling, Hanson Co., supplies	26.39
8. O. P. Schumann, printing	2.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. Jorgenson,

F. H. Milks,

Committee.

Moved by Canfield and supported by McCullough that the committee's report be accepted and orders drawn for the amounts. Motion carried. The following report of special committee was read, to wit:

To the Village Council of Grayling, Mich.

Gentlemen:

We, the undersigned, special committee to whom was referred the claim of H. B. Craig, who claimed he was injured on the 23rd day of August, 1916 by stepping into a hole on the South bridge which crosses the AuSable river in the village of Grayling, respectfully report that we have investigated said claim and the evidence collected is insufficient to recommend the payment of said claim. We therefore recommend that pay-

ment be refused.

W. Jorgenson, )  
John H. Cook, ) Committee.  
C. A. Canfield, )

Moved by Jorgenson and supported by McCullough that the report be accepted and payment of claim be refused. Yeas—Jorgenson, Milks, Cook, McCullough and Canfield. Taylor absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Canfield and supported by McCullough that we adjourn. Motion carried.

## Goodrich Offers Recourses.

The B. F. Goodrich company passed a resolution to convey, thru their President Mr. B. G. Work, to the government of the United States a tender of its resources and energetic co-operation in any emergency where they can be made to serve the country.

The B. F. Goodrich company with its huge factory at Akron, Ohio, its one-hundred and twenty-five branches and thousands of employees is in position to greatly assist the government in case necessity arises. Their touring bureau, with its compilation of information and data relative to roads throughout the entire United States, will prove of inestimable value to all land operations in this country. They have facilities for delivering rubber products direct from Akron, which are unparalleled in this or foreign countries.

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## How Old Will You Be At Fifty.

Will you be 50 years old or 50 years young? Kidney troubles make many a person old, when really they should be young. Don't be one of the old. Take a kidney tablet as you would a cathartic. Dr. Navaun's kidney tablets are best, 50c at your druggist, A. M. Lewis.

## SAWED-OFF SERMONS

Shakespeare says: "Conscience doth make cowards of us all." William evidently never had any dealings with lawyers.

A man knows all about human nature that is worth knowing if he knows that other men aren't any more foolish than he is.

If three years of matrimony doesn't put a man wise, the sooner he is carted off to the foolish house the better.

If a minister is tired after letting out a long-winded sermon he at least has the sympathy of nine-tenths of the congregation.

Beware of the man whose debts don't worry him. He probably would swipe your umbrella if he saw it in the vestibule of a church.

The world seldom gives a man more than he deserves, but many a man who deserves a term in jail is overlooked by the grand jury.—Indianapolis Star.

## BRILLIANTS

Any mind that is capable of a real sorrow is capable of good.—Mrs. Stowe.

Strength is born in the deep silence of long-suffering hearts; not amidst joy.—Hemans.

If you are going to do a good thing, do it now, if you are going to do a mean thing, wait till tomorrow.—Anon.

He who is false to present duty breaks a thread in the loom, and will find the flaw when he may have forgotten its cause.—Anon.

We deceive ourselves when we fancy that only weakness needs support. Strength needs it far more. A straw or a feather sustains itself long in the air.—Mme. Swetchine.

A woman's way is generally the other way.

We sometimes wish the fellow who knows it all would forget some of it.

The only thing many a man has done in the past is to dream of the future.

It's all right to have plenty of go, but a man should also have some staying qualities.

Unfortunately the people who are satisfied with themselves are seldom satisfied with anything else.

## FAMILY REUNITED.

Children Long Separated by the Civil War Meet.

SEARCH BEGUN BY BROTHER.

Bushwhackers Raided Home, Killed Parents and Drove Children Into Woods—Adopted in Different Homes, Survivors Drifted Apart—Meeting Between Sisters and Brother Pathetic.

Clarinda, Ia.—A tragedy of the civil war which resulted in the separation of three children of a Missouri family was recalled recently by the reunion of the three children who had been separated during the long period, too young at the time to maintain a correspondence, and it was only after much effort and correspondence that the members of the family were enabled to meet and hold a reunion after so long a separation.

Living near Laclede, Mo., was a family named Deer. Bushwhackers raided their home, killed the parents and drove the children into the woods, where they passed a night in terror.

The children were Mary Deer, eight years old, Addie Deer, six years old, and a brother two years old. Upon the girl of eight years devolved the task of keeping the others with her and to vainly try to console them. Speaking of the terrifying incidents of the night, Mary, now Mrs. Mary Rahn of this city, told how the baby boy cried to be taken to his mother.

In the morning the children made their way to Laclede, where they were found nearly dead from exposure and fright and crying bitterly. A man who chanced to run across the children was so filled with pity that he took them in charge, fed them and cared for them for several days until he had succeeded in locating all three in homes, into which they were finally adopted.

Thus torn apart, the children did not again hear from each other. Mary spent her entire girlhood as a nurse girl in a family where there were several children, and from them she managed to learn to read and write. She was taken to Illinois, where she married. Addie Deer was taken with the brother to Crete, Neb., where the girl married and where the boy grew to manhood and where he still resides.

Addie married and lost her husband. She was married a second time to a Mr. Downing, owner of a large ranch near Glenwood Springs, Colo.

Some time ago the brother began a search for his sisters. It was an apparently hopeless task, but by perseverance, much correspondence and long range inquiry he managed to find them, and all held a reunion at the home of Mrs. Downing in Colorado.

Mrs. Rahn soon after her marriage moved from Illinois to this county. She is now a widow, sixty years of age. The meeting between the sisters and brother was pathetic despite the fact that a separation of over fifty years had obviously tended to break down the feeling of family relationship.

## WAR AFFECTS WATER TOO.

No Soda Ash to Soften City's Drinking Supply.

Columbus, O.—Hard water will be the best filtration plant can furnish consumers the rest of the winter unless something is done to increase the available supply of soda ash, one of the chief chemicals used in the softening process.

Superintendent O'Shaughnessy of the Columbus water plant said that soda ash could not be had at any price owing to inability of railroads to furnish adequate transportation facilities; also the Barberton plants, where the city's supply of soda ash is obtained, have been handicapped during the last few weeks because of a shortage of fuel.

No soda ash has been used at the filtration plant for several days. Since the war began soda ash has advanced \$44 a ton. Water can be softened to a certain degree by lime, but soda ash must be added to get the desired softness.

## WAR ON CATS SAVES GAME.

Good Hunting in New Jersey Since Feline Slaughter Started.

Trenton, N. J.—A report of the New Jersey fish and game commission recently issued states that the wholesale extermination of cats in Burlington county during the 1915 epidemic of foot and mouth disease has resulted in sportsmen finding Burlington among the best hunting grounds in the state.

Game animals and birds are more plentiful in the county than for years, and scores of hunters have repeatedly bagged their legal limit of ten rabbits; also quails, pheasants and squirrels. It is held that the chief factor in the increase in game animals and birds as well as song birds in that county was the warfare on cats by both hunters and farmers. Sportsmen found hundreds of prowling homeless cats in the woods and fields preying upon native birds and animals and killed them.

## Newspaper on Fig Leaves.

Santa Cruz, Cal.—Because of the high cost of paper and the failure of subscribers to pay up, Luther McQueston, publisher of the Mountain Echo at Boulder creek, printed an edition of his weekly on fig leaves. The edition consists of five dried leaves pinned together with a twig and printed on both sides and contains news items, classified and legal advertising and an editorial in which McQueston sets forth his reasons for "returning to first principles for print paper."

## Don't Neglect The Kidneys.

Do you take a kidney tablet once in a while, the same as you do a cathartic? If you don't, you should, because the kidneys are blood filters and need cleaning themselves the same as your bowels. Dr. Navaun's Kidney Tablets are for this purpose and are for sale at Mr. Lewis' store. Samples will be sent on request by the Botanic Drug Co., Detroit, Mich.

## What Housewives Are Glad to Know

## Smart Walking Suit

The handsome suit for street wear is a semi-empire model, and it is featured in dark green, burgundy, navy blue, taupe, brown or black. The coat is three-quarter length, with panel front



SEMI-EMPIRE MODEL.

and back, and the shirred, belled sides extend into large, flat pockets that give the fashionable long, straight hip. The high roll collar is inset with self-colored velvet and edged with seal fur. The skirt has pockets to match those on coat. Buttons are of bone, preferably tinted to match. Design by Franklin Simon & Co., New York city.

## Substitutes For Meat That Have Same Food Value

Meat is always high priced and especially so now, says Miss Leonora Richards, assistant in domestic science in the Kansas State Agricultural college. "There are many foods which have the same nutritive value as meat, and these may be used as meat substitutes."

Baked beans, cheese fondue, macaroni and cheese, baked rice and cheese, cheese souffle, corn and cheese souffle, and rice with lentils may be served as substitutes for meat and are much cheaper in preparation. Eggs are an excellent meat substitute and may be prepared in a variety of ways, but their present high price is prohibitive. Persons who cannot eat without meat should buy the cheaper cuts, such as flank steak, rump and chuck roasts, heart, liver and chuck steak. These cuts contain the same amount of nutriment as the more expensive cuts, but are not so tender. In order to make the cheaper cuts of meat palatable they should be cooked slowly at a low temperature. Stewing is preferable. Seasoning with highly flavored vegetables and spices improves the flavor.

## Kitchen Wrinkles

When boiling meat start it only at the boiling point, then let it simmer till tender.

When you accidentally spill hot grease on the bare floor dash cold water on it at once. This hardens the grease so that it can be scraped up before much of it soaks into the floor.

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Cash on deposit in banks	\$ 271,745.57
First mortgage loans on real estate	10,236,182.14
Real Estate (Home Office building)	100,000.00
Loans to policy holders secured by reserves	1,898,998.35
Bonds, cash value	25,000.00
Loans on collateral	1,800.00
Interest due and accrued	176,212.50
Net outstanding and deferred premiums secured by reserves	146,266.14
Due from other companies	2,805.83

\$12,859,010.93

## LIABILITIES

Reserve fund, including disability benefits (computed by the Michigan Insurance Dept.)	\$11,504,937.21
Premiums, interest and rents paid in advance	32,832.64
Installment policy claims not yet due	29,364.04
All other policy claims	70,791.11
Reserved for taxes and other items payable in 1917	38,828.86
Surplus fund	1,182,257.07

\$12,859,010.93

Insurance written in Michigan during 1916	3,977,500.00
Total amount of insurance in force December 31, 1916	58,289,878.37
During the year 1916 the Company	
Paid death claims amounting to	586,489.14
Paid to living policy holders	676,556.05

1,263,045.19

27,317,495.34

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### Local News

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, FEB. 15

Dr. C. F. Underhill of Lovells was in the city yesterday.

War Brides at the Opera house Thursday and Friday nights.

Mr. Maloney is ill with an attack of la grippe at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E. D. Crowley.

Miss Beattie Mowat of Bay City is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Welsh, arriving last Saturday.

Miss Elsie Sparks has accepted a position at the Bank of Grayling, commencing her duties last Monday morning.

Messrs Harold Swaffield and Harry Hill accompanied the High school basketball team to West Branch last Friday evening, to witness the games.

Talk about law-abiding citizens, John Benson was the first to procure his automobile license for the year 1917, and John Larson was the second one.

Harry Connine came home from the U. of M. Saturday morning for a few days visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Connine. Got out of his "exams."

The Queen's Social club will meet at St. Mary's parsonage this evening, Thursday, at 7:30 o'clock. This will be an important meeting and all members are requested to be present.

You are satisfied with nothing short of the BEST for your children—and rightly so. Then why neglect that which is far more important—their eyes? See Hathaway about them now!

Miss Cella Sivrais was home from Bay City over Sunday last.

Don't forget that line of watches at Hathaway's. \$1.00 a week if you say so. See them.

W. S. Muchler has resigned his position at the du Pont plant and left yesterday for his home in Kalkaska.

C. J. Hathaway expects to attend the mid-winter meeting of the Michigan Society of Optometrists at Lansing, next Thursday, Feb. 22.

There will be a masquerade dancing party given under the auspices of the Danish Brotherhood society Saturday evening, February 24th at Temple theatre.

F. J. Spencer of Lovells, has for sale a number of guinea pigs or cavy, in pairs or dozen lots. A letter for particulars and prices addressed to him at Lovells will reach him.

Miss Vivian LaClair returned Monday to her home in Cheboygan, after a week's visit a guest of Miss Mary Cassidy. Master Merion Burrows accompanied her to visit his grandparents, who reside there.

Two men dropped dead in Gaylord in two days, one in the Sisco restaurant, and one at the Miller restaurant. George Dixon who dropped dead at the Sisco restaurant had been putting up at the Burton hotel in this city, and his home was in Bay City.

The Briny Inn, Manistee's only first class hotel, was completely destroyed by fire Saturday. There remain only the four walls. No figures on the value of the building and its contents are available, but it is believed that the loss will approach \$100,000 with \$50,000 insurance. Guests fled half clad when the flames were discovered at 7 o'clock a. m. The cause of the fire is a mystery.

Miss Hattie Kraus is spending the week in Detroit.

A big money saving for these cold nights and days is going on at Frank's. A baby daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Travis last Friday morning.

Mrs. Arnold Burrows and youngest son left last week for Flint for a few weeks' visit.

Don't lock your door AFTER your horse is stolen nor buy fire insurance AFTER your property is burned. See Geo. L. Alexander & Son.

Mrs. Wm. E. Green spent a few days of last week visiting her sister, Miss Johanne Henriksen, who is at the University hospital at Ann Arbor for treatment.

Mrs. Marius Hanson was called to Detroit last Saturday by the serious illness of a brother, Fred Parsons. He passed away Sunday evening, and the funeral was held Wednesday morning.

The upper story of the Arenac Independent, published at Standish, by Harry Myers was partially burned and the contents damaged Thursday, Feb. 1. The total loss was \$3,000 and was covered by insurance.

Mr. and Mrs. Allyn Kidston spent several days in Chicago. The latter was called from Chicago by the illness of her mother, who resides at Ploconing. Mrs. Kidston stopped at the latter place, and Mr. Kidston came on home.

Mrs. J. P. Davidson entertained with a party in honor of her son, Gordon last week Wednesday evening. A dainty three course supper was served to about 20 young folks. Dancing and games were the amusement of the evening.

Leo Lietz and sister Miss Clara are in Detroit attending the third annual meeting of the old residents of Ausable and Oscoda. These people have a permanent organization and intend to continue their reunions regularly. At their meeting last year there were about 1,500 present.

The lecture that was to be given last evening at Danebod hall, by Pastor Aaberg of Dwight, Illinois, has been postponed until Friday evening, Feb. 16. It was stated in the Avalanche last week that it would be Wednesday evening, Feb. 14, but Mr. Aaberg was unable to keep the appointment at this date.

Albert Grouleff of Muncie, Ind., was guest of honor at a noon dinner, Sunday, at Shoppenagon's Inn, given by his former employer, Rasmus Hanson. There were 12 gentlemen present and a four-course dinner was highly enjoyed. Mr. Grouleff was at one time a valued and faithful employee of the Salling, Hanson Co., and the way that Mr. Hanson has entertained him, goes to show the high esteem in which he was held by his employer.

This month has caught many families without coal. The thermometer registering anywhere from zero to 37 below, the coal situation looks serious. The local dealers have been without coal for several days. In many instances coal fires have been allowed to go out and houses warmed by the kitchen stoves. Other cities are having the same trouble and one of our exchanges tells of many closing their homes and going to live with friends.

The residence near the corner of Pine on Maple street, occupied by the Cecil Curdshaw family burned to the ground early Tuesday morning. It was at about 5:00 o'clock that Mr. Curdshaw arose to build the morning fire, and had gone back to bed as usual, until the house would get warm. About fifteen minutes later he was awakened by someone calling "fire," and the family had a narrow escape to get out of the building. The fire was a complete loss, as the contents were all burned. The building and furniture was owned by Mrs. F. A. Eckenfels, and was on the same lot as that of the Eckenfels home. There was no insurance on the building nor on its contents.

On a complaint entered by Cameron Game for Game & Burrows, a warrant was issued charging Jay Lake, former proprietor of the City restaurant, with obtaining money under false pretenses. The complaint charged Lake with selling Game & Burrows a Ford car of which he, Lake, was not the lawful owner. George Burke sold Lake the car on a contract and in the terms the title should remain in his name—George Burke. Lake had gone to Battle Creek and was about to open a restaurant in that city. He returned to Grayling in answer to the charge and in the examination Tuesday, it appears that only the first payment (\$150.00) had been made on the car. Lake was duly bound over to the Circuit court for trial in the April term.

The Masonic school of instruction held at Masonic temple Monday evening was largely attended. Besides the local members there were large delegations of visitors from Roscommon and West Branch. The initiatory work of the third degree was conferred upon County Treasurer Ed. S. Houghton. At the close of the meeting Grayling lodge served a fine fish supper of fresh perch. Frank O. Gilbert, official Masonic lecturer of Michigan, was present and took official charge of the meetings and, at the close, passed comments upon the manner in which the work was performed. There was but little criticism to offer and many of the officers participating came in for high praise. It was a most enjoyable gathering and lasted until after 1:00 p. m. when the visitors from the south left for the "midnight" train and returned to their respective homes.

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Little Mary Husted entertained a few of her little friends Tuesday afternoon to help her celebrate her fourth birthday. The table was decorated with hearts and a birthday cake. At 5:30 all departed wishing Miss Mary many happy returns of the day.

Albert Grouleff of Muncie, Ind., arrived Sunday morning and is a guest at the home of his sister, Mrs. T. Boeson. Mr. Grouleff was a former resident of Grayling, going to Muncie about 16 years ago. This is his first visit here in four years. He is calling on many of his old friends during his visit.

Prof. Henderson of the University of Michigan will deliver a lecture on the subject "The Boy Problem" at the High School auditorium next week Thursday evening, Feb. 22 at 8:00 p. m. This lecture is being given under the auspices of the Parents and Teachers' association. There are no charges for admission and all men as well as ladies are urged to be present. Prof. Henderson has spoken here before and always comes with a helpful message and it is hoped that he be greeted with a large audience. There will be a program by the school children appropriate to Washington's birthday.

Early Tuesday morning when the Curdshaw house burned on Maple St., Mike Brenner, with the chemical engine, was there almost before the fire whistle stopped blowing. He happened to be near Shoppenagon's Inn when the alarm sounded and he ran to the Benson garage, where the engine was stalled, and said that the first turn-over of the crank started the engine and in almost no time he was at the fire. By the time he reached there the entire building was a mass of flames and the roof caving in and there was nothing to do except to prevent the spread of fire to near-by buildings. Good work.

Probably the most important action of the Northeastern Development bureau was the determination to devote considerable time on agricultural extension assistance to calf and pig clubs, liming of soils, distributing of seed, better roads, etc.,—working thru the local banks, Business men's associations, County Agricultural societies, etc. In addition it was decided that the Bureau organize and operate a boys' and girls' pig club for the district. In this the Bureau is to have the co-operation of the railroads; the Michigan Central already agreeing to run a pig special, with many naval and educational features, next Fall. The Secretary of the Bureau has already been rounding up a possible supply of the many young pigs necessary for this campaign. Application blanks will soon be ready and boys and girls interested better write for copies.

Nelson Sharpe is a candidate for reelection as judge of the 34th judicial circuit on the Republican ticket, and it appears that there are no other candidates seeking nomination on this or any other ticket. This would come up for primary election in March. Several weeks ago John J. Niederer, then county clerk of this county, suggested, provided that there are no other candidates, that should Mr. Sharpe be placed on all tickets that the law provides that the primary election may be eliminated. This same action was carried out two years ago in the nomination for school commissioner of this county. Mr. Kaahar was the only aspiring candidate and thru the enterprise of the county clerk an expensive and needless primary election was avoided. In the case at hand Mr. Sharpe will be nominated on all party tickets and filed with the Secretary of State, and it will then be for him to determine and declare the primary election off. Hiram Smith of Roscommon, brother of Prosecuting attorney Glen Smith of this county, has been looking after the filling out of the various party petitions. This will save considerable expense to each county in the district and a total expense to the district of about \$2,000.

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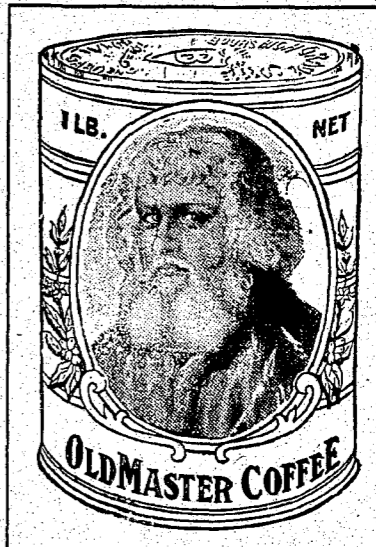
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## CHAPTER XXIV—Continued.

He, in turn, was so intent upon maneuvering to have himself spoken to by that most genial of hosts, the president, that he failed to see Marie until she spoke to him. The first sight of her bewildered him, and his boy did not altogether hide the effects of the delicious shock given him by her dazzling beauty. But he quickly recovered his self-possession when he saw that she was with Vandervyn. That young man, though more boyishly handsome than ever, bore himself with rather a sullen air. He met Hardy's clear gaze with a forced smile. The smile became still more forced when the girl transferred her hand from his arm to Hardy's.

"Only a very few minutes," she soothed the disappointed lover.

"Whatever you say," he deferred to her caprice, and he drew back to speak to a sharp-eyed man near the president.

Hardy was gazing into the wonderful blue-black eyes of his companion. They were as inscrutable as when he had last looked into their depths. He tried to speak calmly, but his voice shook.

"Do you know that you are by far the most beautiful woman here?"

Her long lashes drooped and rose again to disclose the same inscrutable look.

"So I have been told several times already—I wished a few moments with you, that I might thank you for your generosity. It has given me the great opportunity of my trip abroad and this visit in Washington."

"I am saving all the reports of your social triumphs," he said. "They have made me very happy."

Again the girl's lashes drooped. "That is good of you. It is quite necessary for me to become the rage—if I am to force a recognition from Reggie's relatives. He says that, fortunately, his fiancée has become interested in another man who is quite as eligible as himself."

Hardy's eyes contracted, yet he did not falter.

"Since it will bring you happiness, I wish him good fortune."

"You do?" The question was almost an exclamation. But the girl at once regained her quiet composure. "I do not understand. If you wish him good fortune, why then do you seek to prevent him from receiving his compensation as attorney for the tribe?"

"I said good fortune," replied Hardy. "Any money paid him on that contract would be tainted."

Marie arched her black eyebrows. "Is it not true that he will get through a much larger appropriation than otherwise would have been made?"

"The lands are fully worth the amount agreed upon," stated Hardy. "The tribe should receive all the appropriation. Honest lobbying would carry the bill through at a cost of a few hundred dollars. These supposed friends of the tribe want millions."

"Do you wish to deprive me of the share that I would receive through him?"

"Yes—of every dishonest dollar," said Hardy, his mouth stern, though his eyes besought her to forgive his harshness. "You have enough already."

"Are you certain?" she rejoined. "You may have heard that mines often pinch out or run into valueless ore. You can guess why Pere and I have told no one, least of all Reggie."

Hardy remained unshaken. "If he is worthy of you, that will make no difference to him."

"But myself? I am already used to luxury," pleaded the girl.

"Down in your heart you know the values in life that are real," he said. "You do not wish for wealth gained through fraud."

"I have not admitted that there is any fraud in the contract."

"Perhaps it is as well," he remarked. "You should not doubt your future husband."

She flashed him an odd, quizzical look. "No, I cannot doubt my future husband now, Captain Hardy. I must believe in him if I am to be happy, must I not?"

"Yes," agreed Hardy.

She uttered a gay little trill of laughter.

"That is so good of you to say it, Captain! It makes me feel that I really must do something for you in return. May I not offer you a little loan of, say, three or four thousand dollars? I understand that, for some strange reason—or unreason—you have refused your pay as captain."

"My resignation has not been withdrawn, and I am engaged in a private enterprise. I cannot draw pay as an officer in the service," explained Hardy.

"Few would be so quixotic," she argued. "Most would make the excuse that an attempt to frustrate what they considered a wrong to others is not to be considered a private enterprise."

"I must beg to differ with you, Miss Dupont."

"Then let it pass. But the little loan?"

"Very good of you to offer. However, I believe I have enough left to last me through. And in any event, I could not impose on your generosity. The money would be used against him—which, you see, would hardly do."

"Then you refuse any loan?"

"It was most kind of you to make the offer."

"Don Quixote de la Mancha!" she murmured.

"Tilting at machine windmills!" he replied.

Though there was no trace of bitterness or satire in his wit, her chin lifted to the angle of offended pride.

"That is sufficient, Captain Hardy. May I ask you to take me back to him?"

Vandervyn was waiting for her near the president. As they approached him, she gave Hardy a look of half-repentment. "You must understand, Captain, that I must do as my heart dictates, though I confess that lobbying is far from agreeable to me. I have already met his excellency, and he has been so kind as to promise me a hearing."

"I cannot wish you success," he replied.

She gave him a quizzical glance and turned away with Vandervyn.

Standing in the eager, jostling crowd that waited for a word or even a nod from the president, he fully appreciated the ease with which, in the midst of so great a crush, she managed to obtain several moments' conversation apart with the nation's chief magistrate.

She was still beside the president when the sharp-eyed man to whom Vandervyn had spoken came around beside Hardy and murmured a few words in his ear. Hardy looked him in the eye, bowed, and quietly started to move away. The man followed him until he had left the White House.

## CHAPTER XXV.

### Condemned.

The court-martial began its session at nine in the morning, and the trial of Hardy was over before three in the afternoon. Vandervyn testified to the suppression by the accused of the existence of the developed mine and of Redbear's misconduct.

Hardy's statements in explanation of his actions were as brief as they were cold and dry. Acting as a civil officer, he had considered the question of withholding any mention of the mine as a matter within his discretion. When interrogated whether he had not taken advantage of this suppression to enter the contest and win the mine for himself, his bald admission of the fact, unaccompanied by any explanation of his motives, was received by his officer judges with marked gravity.

The other charges were far more serious, and he opposed them with vigor. He denied emphatically any intention to desert or to remain permanently absent from his proper duties without leave, and showed the telegram from a high official in the war department that led him to believe his resignation and application for leave of absence would be at once favorably acted upon by his commanding officer at Vancouver barracks. This, in some circumstances, might have been considered sufficient excuse for his conduct. But his refusal to explain his reason for taking advantage of his secret knowledge of the mine perceptibly influenced the members of the court to doubt the statement of his purpose in coming to Washington.

Though the court-martial adjourned without rendering its findings, he left the courtroom ten years older in appearance than when he entered. The regretful, commiserating glance of the most friendly of his judges seemed plainly to indicate what would be the findings. The thought of voluntarily resigning from the service had been hard. To be cashiered was almost unendurable.

Yet he walked out with his back straight and his head well up. He went directly to the White House and sent in a written application for an interview with the president. It was refused. He went to his lodgings and spent the remainder of the day and half the night drafting and redrafting



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a concise statement of his argument against Vandervyn's contract. This he addressed to the president and stamped for mailing. He wrote nothing with regard to his own case.

When, next morning, he at last fell asleep, he was so near exhaustion that he did not wake until late. The hour set for the reconvening of the court-martial had already come. He sprang into his uniform with a celerity that might have reminded a fellow officer of reveille in cadet barracks at West Point.

The worn soles of his highly polished shoes beat a tattoo on the carpetless old stairs by which he descended to the street. He did not turn to go in for a belated breakfast at the meager table of his landlady. He hastened along the few feet of narrow hall to the street door. As he drew it open, another man in uniform stepped into the doorway and confronted him. The other officer saluted Hardy, responded mechanically, for all his cool look, he was astonished,

The man before him was the president's military aide.

"Captain Floyd Hardy?"

"At your service."

"You should now be in attendance upon the court-martial," stated the aide with cold severity.

"I shall explain to the court," replied Hardy. "If not delayed, I shall be only a few—"

"You will come with me," interrupted the aide, still more severely. "Your conduct has been brought to the attention of the president. It is to be seen, sir, whether you will continue to refuse to answer the inquiries of your superiors."

Hardy went white, but his jaw set firm with grim resolution. He stepped out beside the aide, and crossed the sidewalk to the waiting motor. As they were whirled away over the sleek asphalt, the aide sat with more than military stiffness, his head and body half averted from his companion as if to avoid contemplation. Hardy sat as stiffly at the other extreme of the seat.

The ride was short. The car made a sudden turn, and curved around to the executive offices of the president. Hardy looked at his companion, perplexed. The face of the aide showed only the stern watchfulness of one who has a reputedly dangerous prisoner under arrest. At the entrance he stepped behind, as if apprehensive that Hardy might attempt to escape. A doorkeeper conducted them along a corridor into a small waiting room. He passed into the room beyond, but reappeared in a few moments and signed to Hardy to enter.

Hardy stepped into the room, and the door was closed behind him. The aide and the doorkeeper had remained outside. Hardy looked around with a frown of perplexity. Across the room a man sat writing at a businesslike desk. There was no one else present.

The man turned in his swivel chair and abruptly made a beckoning gesture. Hardy's hand went up in salute as he stepped forward. He was in the presence of the commander in chief of the army and navy.

The president looked him up and down with a severe glance.

"You are Captain Floyd Hardy?"

"Yes, sir."

"The same who suppressed the late insurrection in the Sulus?"

"I happened to be in command at the time, sir."

"After that you obtained a detail, your conduct in discharge of which has resulted in your trial by court-martial on serious charges. I have before me the findings of the court. The circumstances are exceptional. Because of your record and of certain statements that have been presented to me, I have been persuaded to give you an opportunity to explain your conduct."

Hardy saluted. "Permit me, sir, to first present for your consideration a matter relating to the interests of the tribe which—"

"Stop!" ordered the president. "Others are waiting for interviews. I can give you only ten minutes. If you expend them on this other matter, you will have no further opportunity to state your own case."

"The evidence before the court-martial covered the facts, sir. If those facts sustain the charges against me, then I am guilty, and desire no clemency. That is all I have to say on my own case, sir. With regard to the matter which I desire to present—"

"Sit down!" ordered the president. "You have nine minutes. Be brief."

Hardy seated himself and proceeded to present his argument against the Vandervyn contract. He spoke deliberately, but with a consciousness that covered what he had to say fully and clearly, in words as forceful as they were few. The president listened attentively, but with no change in his expression. At the end of eight minutes Hardy stopped.

The president showed a trace of surprise. "Is that all you have to say? There is still a minute."

"That is all, sir," replied Hardy, rising.

The president touched a call button, but raised his finger. "One moment. What if I should confront you with witnesses?"

"As I have stated, sir, my only request is that all the witnesses in the case be examined."

"There are some already at hand. You shall see what they have to say about your charges."

The aide appeared and immediately went out again at a sign from the president. He returned with Vandervyn and Marie. At sight of Hardy the young man stopped short, but, meeting the president's cordial smile, came forward with easy assurance. Marie did not look at Hardy, as she followed.

The president addressed Vandervyn: "Captain Hardy has declined to ask for clemency. I have decided to sustain the findings of the court-martial. In the face of all this, he has had the temerity to make a charge of fraud against your Indian contract."

Vandervyn nodded: "Captain Hardy is too skilled a strategist not to realize that the best way to shield himself is to raise the cry of 'stop thief!' against others. Does he allege that the signatures to my contract are forged?"

"The signatures are genuine. They were obtained by fraud," blurted charged Hardy.

"My word is as good or perhaps somewhat better than that of a cashiered officer," rejoined Vandervyn.

"You deny the charge," the president stated rather than inquired.

"Most emphatically," pleasantly agreed Vandervyn. He looked significantly from Hardy to Marie. "As a soldier—until recently—the gallant captain probably believes in the saying that all is fair in war and love."

Marie lowered her eyes. The president looked thoughtful. "Of course, Mr. Vandervyn, there can be no question when it is a matter of your word against his. Yet were there any other witnesses than yourselves and the Indians?"

"Your excellency evidently has not seen the contract," said Vandervyn. It is duly witnessed by Charlie Redbear, the official interpreter, and by his sister."

"Ah, the interpreter, you say? This

matter may be rumored in the house and even in the senate. It will be well for you to send for the man."

Vandervyn shrugged. "Can't do it. I must obey you, Mr. President. The fellow has gone to the place where cold storage is unknown. My uncle told you about the affair. The fellow was drunk; he aimed his 'gun' at me. I supposed it loaded, and shot him in self-defense. Hardy was present. He can't deny what I say, without forsaking himself."

Hardy met the president's look of inquiry, and bowed in confirmation of the statement. The president again looked thoughtful. "That leaves the man's sister as the only witness to the contract. It would be well if she could be produced."

The aide left the room. Vandervyn again shrugged. "Search has been made for her, Mr. President. All that could be learned from her Indian relatives was that she had been very sick and had gone away. Of course that meant to the happy hunting grounds. There was no other place that she could have gone."

The aide returned to the room leading a tall young woman who was dressed in a Parisian tailored suit that Vandervyn had last seen on Marie. She was gloved and heavily veiled, and she entered the room with perceptible timidity. Marie went to take her arm in a reassuring clasp and raise the veil. At no time since their



"My Words as Good or Better Than a Cashiered Officer's."

coming to Washington had Vandervyn been given so much as a glimpse of Miss Dupont's reputed Hindu maid. This undoubtedly was the woman, and he looked at her with sharp curiosity as Marie raised the veil. Marie stepped aside and gave him a full view of the girl's face.

"Olnna," he exclaimed.

"Yes, is it not a happy surprise?" said Marie.

She smiled at the shrinking girl, and drew her about to the president. "My dear, this is the great White Father of all Indians and of our tribe—he is our father—your excellency, this is Mrs. Reginald Vandervyn."

The blow was given with merciless force. As Vandervyn gaped at Marie, her eyes flashed with a sudden leaping of fierce exultation.

He gasped and choked out: "You—you!—All these months—this—you—Indian!"

"Yes, Indian—to you, even as she was Indian to you," cried the girl. "You have been so eager to marry a 'breed girl'—here is one, already your wife!"

"It's a lie—a black lie!" denied Vandervyn. "I never married her!"

"You took her by tribal custom, and you told her that you were taking her legally according to the common law."

"She cannot prove I lived with her openly as her husband," rejoined Vandervyn.

The president looked at the shrinking Olnna with kindly gravity. "Do you wish him to acknowledge you as his wife?"

"No, no, sir!" she disclaimed. "I don't want him any more."

"I am pleased to hear you say that," replied the president. He turned to Vandervyn. "I understand this witness is prepared to testify that the signatures to your contract were obtained on the false representation that it was a second copy of the minutes of the tribal council."

"It's a lie!" hoarsely replied the young man. "Hardy knows nothing about it. There's only her word against mine."

"We can send for the Indian witnesses, if necessary. Another matter—that the inquiry you instituted under oath that a certain Indian killed Agent Nogen, and that you and Redbear then killed the murderer. When you shot Redbear, you rode off, certain that he was dead. He lived long enough to confess himself the murderer of Agent Nogen. Why did you perjure yourself at the inquest?"

"You can't prove it," defiantly challenged Vandervyn. "I stand by my testimony. This squaw and Hardy have hatched up the lie between them. Even if Redbear made such a confession, it is only hearsay and not legal evidence."

"Your friend Redbear seems to have enjoyed shooting at agents," remarked the president. "He also confessed to having made the two attempts on the life of Captain Hardy. In view of your perjured testimony at the Nogen inquest, one is led to infer a not improbable connection between those attempts and your enmity to Captain Hardy. But the point at present is whether you still insist upon the validity of your contract. Do you wish an official investigation that will take the evidence of the Indian witnesses?"

A cold sweat was gathering on Vandervyn's forehead. He looked at Marie.

She turned from him, afraid that he might misconstrue the womanly softness into which her fierce resentment had melted. He wheeled about, and left the room, sullen, unrepentant, defiant.

"A very great pity," commented the president. "Young and clever, handsome, well educated, good social standing—yet all wasted! Courage—misdirected; no sense of shame;—moral, rather than immoral. He will ride hard to still harder falls than this one, or else to what the world calls

success. But I am too busy a man to moralize. If you will pardon me, ladies, there is to be a cabinet meeting."

He bowed to them, and then confronted Hardy. "Sir, I warned you that if you did not speak in your own defense, you would have no other opportunity. I shall not reverse my approval of the findings of the court-martial."

Hardy had stood an amazed and dumfounded spectator to the rejection and disgrace of his rival. But throughout it all Marie had never once looked at him. If her scornful casting off of Vandervyn had roused any hopes for himself, they must have been dashed when she led Olnna away without favoring him with so much as a glance of recognition. There was a slight stoop in his shoulders as he saluted the president.

"If the sentence approved by your excellency does not make association with me scandalous," he said, "I beg leave to express my thanks for the intimation that you will invalidate the fraudulent contract."

Without replying, the president abruptly fled about to his desk. Hardy again saluted, and marched from the room as if on dress parade.

## CHAPTER XXVI.

### The Sentence.

In the anteroom the doorkeeper waved Hardy to a door on the right. It led him into a stenographers' room. He saw the flounce of a woman's skirt behind a revolving bookcase near the far end of the room, and paused. Someone stepped into the room after him, and touched him authoritatively on the shoulder.

"One moment, Captain Hardy—your sentence."

He turned and faced the president's aide with the clear, unflinching gaze of a brave man about to be shot. The aide saluted with punctilious formality. Hardy responded with equal formality. The aide presented an official document, saluted, and withdrew from the room.

For a long moment Hardy stood with the decree of his fate slowly crumpling in his hand. His eyes were fixed on vacancy. Doubtless he was seeing the years of soldierly comradeship and duty that now lay in the past and the vision of the career to which he was to have given the utmost of his powers. He had always loved his profession—and now—

The woman whose skirt he had seen was in front of him before he became aware of her presence. He found himself looking into the cool, half-mocking face of Marie.

"Are you afraid to read your sentence?" she taunted. "Had it not been for you, he would have had the mine and a million from his contract and me. The president conferred with Senator Cavanaugh an hour ago. The treaty appropriation bill will be passed with a clause that no commission is to be paid for the services of any tribal agent or representative. He has lost everything. And now—I am waiting to see you read that paper."

Hardy drew himself up, opened the envelope, took out the document and read.

As Marie saw the look of blank incredulity that came into his face, her eyes flashed under the lowering veil of their long lashes. He stared up at her, but was too dazed to perceive the change in her expression.

"Acquitted—honorably—on all charges!" he murmured. "On all charges!—Honorable mention recommended—Approved—the President!"

Marie smiled with cool condescension.

"Merely a question of doing justice to you, Captain Hardy. When a man has done his duty, however harshly, it is the duty of others to see that he receives just compensation. I take credit for having helped to bring this about."

"You?" he exclaimed. "Of course, though, if you really did not love him—"

"That does not follow. You must know I did love him. But to find that I had for rival another 'breed girl'—one not half so beautiful as I—could not endure the thought. You have seen the proof that there is a good deal of my mother's red give him up, and I have decided to marry another man."

"Another?" echoed Hardy.

"Will you not congratulate me?" she asked.

He rallied. "I congratulate him. After what has happened, I feel confident that you must have chosen someone more worthy of you."

"He is!" declared the girl, her glorious eyes melting with tenderness. "He is far more worthy of me than I am of him!"

With an effort she recovered her cool composure.

"But now, before going, I wish to take this opportunity to discharge in a way the obligation that, as a member of the tribe, I owe to you for your services. I shall therefore return the mine to you."

She held out a document. He stepped back.

"No, Miss Dupont," he said. "I cannot accept it."

"You must. I took it from you. Though I have used the income from it not altogether for personal gratification, you must realize that my pride will not permit me to keep it any longer. Let me add that it has not pinched out, as you may have inferred from what I said at the ball. It is a bonanza."

"I regret that I cannot accept it," he replied. "A captain's pay is quite sufficient for a—bachelor."

"Marie gave him a mocking glance. "Really now, Captain Hardy, you do not expect me to believe you will long remain unmarried?"

He tried his best to conceal how her frivolity tortured him. "You may not believe it, Miss Dupont. Yet it is true."

"It is not," she contradicted. "When we were abroad, Pere and I went to Monte Carlo. I fancy the gambling spirit infected me. Let us settle the ownership of the mine with a wager. If you do not marry this year, I agree to keep it. But if you marry within that time, you will accept it back from me on your wedding day."

"It is not fair for me to bet on a certainty; but if you insist, I agree to the wager," said Hardy.

"Then be prepared to take the mine a week from today," she bantered. He tore his gaze away from the lovely face whose gay smile appeared so heartlessly mocking.

"You—cannot realize—how this—"

She handed him another sealed envelope.

"Here is the order detailing you to special service with the general staff for the winter. You will then be required to return to the reservation and carry out all the plans recommended by you for the civilizing of the tribe. Your mare is in the same stable as the thoroughbred that I have bought to use as her riding mate."

The changed tone in the girl's voice compelled Hardy to look up. In her radiant eyes he saw a look that could not be mistaken. The smile that had seemed so mocking was now tenderly teasing.

"Marie—you—" he stammered. "Are you certain it is—love—not a passing feeling of pity?"

"Pity! For you?" she cried. "Do you think I could dare pity you?—a man like you! I could not have been so presumptuous even had those treacherous conspirators succeeded in crushing you. Do you think it was pity that made me live a lie all this time—that forced me to flout you and accept his detestable attentions?"

Her voice sank to a note of deep humility.

"I know how very unworthy of you I am. Yet I hope I am not so unworthy as that first day at the coulee, when I scorned you, and you, with your skill and courage and moderation, saved us without harming those whose attack he had vainly brought upon us. I was a coquette—a coquette infatuated with the kind of man with whom a coquette deserves to be infatuated. But I was not altogether frivolous. I soon perceived your immeasurable superiority over him. Only my head could not overcome the fascination that had bound my heart. My soul sought to free itself from the spell—I struggled and prayed— Yet not until there at the mine, when you showed yourself the bravest, the most generous—"

She flung out her arms to him in piteous appeal. "Captain! My captain! Say that you do not think me altogether what he—thought me!"

Hardy drew her hands together, and bent to kiss them with reverent passion.

"Dearest," he replied, "you forget that other day in the coulee—that day when you thought me dying. I gazed up into your eyes, and I saw the look of my mother."

(THE END.)

## ALL VICTIMS OF DISCONTENT

Absolutely Satisfied Person Is Hard Indeed to Find, and Perhaps It Is Well It Is So.

Nearly every fellow is in hopes that some day he will be able to quit the kind of work he is doing.

If it is hard work, he wants to do something easy, and if it is easy he wants a position that isn't so confining. If he has a job where he works in an office part of the time and on the street part of the time, he wants to get into something where he won't always have to be running in and out.

The clerk in a store thinks he would like a place where he wouldn't have to work regular hours, and the man whose time belongs to himself thinks he would like to be a clerk. "When you are through with the day's work," he says to the clerk, "you're through, but I have always got something to worry me."

Husband thinks that doing the housework and talking to the neighbors is a snap, and wife feels that she would be perfectly happy if she could go out and work like a man does.

Almost everybody is dissatisfied with his job, and is determined that his son shall not do that kind of work. Even the fellow who draws an enormous salary isn't contented—he feels that he ought to be doing something.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

## Proper View of Life.

Why is it, I wonder, that the little boy almost always imagines that outside of home is to be found the larger liberty? Why do young men fondly dream that yonder, always yonder, is to be found business opportunity? Why does the absolute man conclude that, outside the common virtues of society, he is to find the larger life? For you, my son, will sometime find that your largest liberty was in the old home, where, if there was authority, there was also deep and abiding love; and you, my friend, will find that others succeeded in your home town, while you failed in the world; and you, my liberty-loving man, will most surely realize, that in the common virtues of the simply good life is to be found what you seek in the by-paths of the world. Find the wealth that lies everywhere about you. Practice the virtues that you know. Cherish the love that is yours own. Value the friends that you have known; and in the superficial you will find the profound, and in the simple things the things eternal.—St. John's Bulletin.

## Sailor's Duties Made Lighter.

Jack Tar knows what it means to tote heavy shells around ship, but Jack Tar will not need to worry about this duty longer, according to the Popular Science Monthly. Ammunition is now loaded by pneumatic tube straight from the magazine to the firing turret. An intricate mechanism prevents the shells from entering the breeches of the guns at great speed, and also prevents any mistake in firing.

# What Frank is Saying and Doing at Main 1043

## Mackinaws, Rubbers and Sox

Two men's wool Mackinaws \$7.45  
\$9.85 value for

Two men's medium weight wool Mackinaws, worth \$6.50 for \$4.95

A few boys' Mackinaws at \$2.95

Huron heel snag sock rubbers, worth \$2.00 for \$1.65

Plain rubbers worth \$1.85 for \$1.35

Boys' rubbers worth \$1 and \$1.15 for 85c

Boys' arctics 85c

One lot men's arctics 90c this week

A few 4-buckle arctics \$1.75

A few leather top rubbers, worth \$2.50 for \$1.95.

\$4.00 leather top red rubbers \$2.95

Misses' rubbers 48c

Ladies' rubbers 59c

Men's work sox, worth 35c for 25c

Men's work sox, worth 25c for 19c

## Sweaters! Sweaters!!

Well, come in and get my prices. It will animate you.

E-nuff said. Get in line. Follow the masses at the lemon colored store on the hill. But mind you not a lemon.

# Frank Dreese

## Local News

The Junior hop has been postponed from Feb. 13 to the 27th.

Miss Edora Tetu left this morning for a few days' visit in Bay City.

Joseph King was taken to Mercy Hospital Saturday, suffering from pneumonia.

Fire insurance is cheap and no family is too poor to be without protection, if they have anything to insure.

Miss Helen Sygh of Vanderbilt spent the week-end with Miss Mildred Bates and her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Herriek.

Supervisor M. A. Bates of Grayling and Ed Chalker of Maple Forest, were in attendance at the annual meeting of the Supervisors of Michigan at Lansing.

Attorney Geo. L. Alexander has been confined to his home for the past week with an attack of grip. Indications are that he will not be out again for several days.

Ange Lorenzo of West Branch has been engaged to play the piano with Clark's orchestra for the Oddfellows' dancing party next Tuesday night, at the Temple theatre.

Undertaker George Sorenson is laid up at his home and has been for the past ten days with a badly frozen foot he received on the Sunday of the funeral of Mrs. Harrington, it being a very severe day. It will be some time before Mr. Sorenson will be able to be out again.

The Queen's Social club met with Miss Margaret Insley last Thursday and a very enjoyable evening was spent. Contests and cards were a pleasant pastime. Misses Arvilla Tetu and Margaret Cassidy assisted Miss Margaret, and a delicious supper was served late in the evening.

Both Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Brink have been confined to their home for the past two weeks with illness. They seem to be improving during the past few days and are hoping to soon be enjoying their usual health. Their son Rola Brink and wife of Saginaw have arrived in the city to visit them for a few days.

Much presence of mind was shown on the part of Mrs. C. E. Bingham, when she discovered their home on fire Tuesday afternoon. Sparks from a chimney had fallen into an unused fireplace, in which a floor had been built, and when seen by Mrs. Bingham the one wall of the living room was afire. Without calling for help Mrs. Bingham, who was alone in the house, extinguished the flames by carrying large pails of water.

Manager George Olson says that the films for "War Brides" have already arrived and that they were run Tuesday night for inspection and he says that they are "great." This is one of the most popular and celebrated film dramas being presented this season. The people of Grayling are fortunate in having an opportunity of seeing this play. It will be presented to night and tomorrow night—Thursday and Friday. Admission 15, 25 and 35 cents. Reserved seats on sale at the Central Drug store.

Miss Bernadette Tetu gave a pretty party at her home last evening in the form of a linen shower in honor of the approaching marriage of her sister, Miss Fedora. Large bouquets of pink and white carnations in the rooms, and clusters of hearts hung under the chandeliers, made pretty decorations for the home. A merry time was had at cards by the 23 young ladies present. At a daiquiri two course luncheon tiny cups were the place cards. The bride-elect received many beautiful pieces of linen brought by her friends.

Subscribe for the Avalanche.

Valdemar Olson arrived last Saturday for a few days' visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Olson. He returned to Detroit Tuesday.

The present weather indications point to more moderate weather. Their past week has been the coldest of the winter. Marius Insley, who manages the weather in Grayling for the government, says that the coldest day of the winter thus far was Sunday night, Feb. 11, when the mercury reached 33 below zero. January 11 it was 24 below. January 29 was the warmest day, the mercury registering 42 above zero. February 7 it was 29 above.

The forty-ninth annual statement of the old Michigan Mutual Life Insurance Company, just published discloses a gratifying state of facts in the annual progress of this popular Michigan company. The assets amount to nearly \$13,000,000, and the company has now a total of insurance in force amounting to over \$58,000,000 and has paid to its policy holders since its organization in both claims and maturing insurance over \$27,000,000, which is more than double the amount of its present assets. As a whole, the statement of the company for the year 1916 shows great progress in all the features which make for additional strength and solidity of the company, and these are the features to be considered by the insuring public.

## Patriotic Program.

The Goodfellow club together with the Woman's club gave a patriotic entertainment as a tribute to Lincoln on Monday evening at the High School auditorium. There was a large crowd present and a splendid spirit manifest throughout the program. The chorus by the school children as well as the salute were excellent. Professor Ellsworth read Lincoln's inaugural speech which was greatly enjoyed. Six little girls and boys danced the minuet in a very graceful manner. They were in colonial dress, and took the part of the olden time dance splendidly. Francella Corwin rendered a solo very sweetly.

Hanson Westcott, John Phelps and Farnum Watson sang a patriotic song in a manner, which was quite fitting to the spirit of the piece.

The Boy Scouts under the direction of Capt. Case gave a drill. The boys showed excellent training and went thru the parts of the drill in a manner which did credit to each and every one of them.

Throughout the program Clark's orchestra rendered dance music.

The ladies of the two clubs wish to thank Miss Pearsall, Mrs. T. W. Hanson, Miss Helen Brown, Capt. Case, the School children and any others who helped to make the program a success.

## A Hint to the Aged.

If people past sixty years of age could be persuaded to go to bed as soon as they take cold and remain in bed for one or two days, they would recover much more quickly, especially if they take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There would also be less danger of the cold being followed by any of the more serious diseases.

## Chamberlain's Tablets.

These Tablets are intended especially for disorders of the stomach, liver and bowels. If you are troubled with heartburn, indigestion or constipation they will do you good.

## TRIP FROM SEATTLE TO ST. PAUL.

(Continued from first page.)

creeps along the sides of hills, on ledges scarcely large enough for the track. On one side you can look down two or three hundred feet, on the other side the hill towers above you. The track runs thru a tunnel or winds up and down a valley in order to climb a slope. The train enters the Taft tunnel at Roland, Idaho, and emerges at East Portal, Montana, after travelling a little over four miles under ground.

The hills are slightly covered with timber. A large amount of which has been burnt. This timber is mostly fir, a species of the pine family. A large part of the valleys and hillsides show signs of erosion. The strata of rock is gray with a tinge of green. A formation of rock had been thrown up in such a manner, that when covered with snow, they formed the features of a human sculpture by nature.

At Alberton the train loses its steam power and is hauled by large electrical engines, 112 feet 8 inches long and weighing 284 ton. On a one per cent grade, it will haul an 800 ton train at forty miles an hour, on the level at sixty miles. Its operating distance is a great deal farther than a steam locomotive.

Missoula, Montana, is situated in the valley between the Bitter Root and the Rocky Mountain ranges. It is a city of 16,492 people. On leaving Missoula the train enters the Missoula gorge. The hills lose their barrenness and take on a more fertile appearance, but this does not last long, for as the train starts its climb for Butte and the continental divide, the hills again become barren and rock strewn.

The train passes thru Deer Lodge, 4520 feet above sea level, and in one hour and fifteen minutes it reaches Butte, Montana, the city famous for its copper, coal and other mineral products.

At Donald the summit of the great continental divide is reached; the track at this point is 6322 feet above sea level.

From Donald the train coasts down the hill, the motors are reversed and turned into generators, this acts as a brake. At the same time the current so generated is turned back into the line. The meters and other electrical apparatus are set so as to run backwards, thereby charging that amount to the credit of the railroad. Electricity keeping its own book accounts.

At Harlowton the train resumes the steam locomotive. This city might be rightly called the first city of the plain, as it is the first one not exactly situated in the mountains since Spokane, Washington. At this point there is a branch that runs to Lewiston and Great Falls; the last named place supplies the current to the Milwaukee railroad for its electrified divisions.

The track is now crossing the plains, which used to be the undisputed domain of the cattle king, but which in the last few years has been slowly opened up to the farmer and dry farming. The country is dotted with small towns and, as eastern Montana is reached this fact becomes more noticeable.

Miles City is the point of interest in this district. Across these plains there is not a tree, and buildings are so scarce, that to see one is a very unusual thing. The country is low and rolling and the presence of alkali is not noticed here as much as it is a little farther south in Wyoming.

The railroad lays across the southwestern corner of North Dakota. The city of Marmarth lies on the western edge of the red wheat district, and is the center of this wheat raising district.

The Missouri river is crossed at Moberly, South Dakota. The bridge is a strong one, built of heavy steel beams and cement buttments. It is strengthened by being put up in the form of interlaced tressel work and the arch.

The track lies across the farming district of South Dakota and through Minnesota. Every little town, city and hamlet has its quota of granaries and storehouses. Minneapolis, the largest of the twin cities is on the western bank of the Mississippi. Not far from here are located the famous Minneapolis Falls, made famous by the poet, Longfellow, in his poem of Hiawatha.

Across the river and a few miles south lies the smaller of the twin cities. It is the capital of the state of Minnesota. The capital building is of marble, with re-enforced concrete approaches. The building cost four million dollars. It contains a great number of famous paintings and sculpture. On the main approach to the capital stands a large statue erected by the people of Minnesota in honor of a three times governor.

St. Paul is the end of your journey on the Milwaukee. You have traveled 1784 miles across the continent and have crossed fertile wheat lands, rolling plains, rugged mountains, barren foot hills, and fruitful valleys. You have seen the blue waters of Puget Sound, the snow capped Olympians, Mt. Rainier, the "King of the Cascades," the silvery St. Joe, the gorges and canyons of the Rockies, and have watched the mighty Missouri and Mississippi in their majestic flow to the Gulf. These are only a few of the many sights along the route, which go to make up one of the most beautiful inland trips in America.

Yours,  
HARDIN C. SWEENEY,  
2nd. Lieut. 20th Infantry.

You can get four standard magazines one year for 25 cents extra by renewing your subscription to the Avalanche.

## Correspondence.

### Frederic School Notes.

The public library at the school will be open some time next week to the public. The following magazines will be found on the reading tables: Detective, McCall's, Youth's Companion, Everybody's, Boy's Life, Mother's Magazine, Modern Pricilla, Collier's, Weekly, Home Needlework, Illustrated World, Literary Digest, Hearst's, Popular Mechanics, McClure's, Current Events, Crawford Avalanche and Detroit Journal.

Both basketball teams defeated Indian River Saturday night.

Over 100 new books have been ordered for the public library.

Our basketball teams go to Grayling Friday night. This should be an interesting game. Neither the Grayling nor the Frederic teams have been defeated this year by any outside teams and Frederic has played one game a week since the games started in November.

Our high school history class is taking up the subject of centralized government.

Bay City will be here to play our boys March 3, and Cheboygan's second team Feb. 24. It was expected there would only be one more game here on our own floor, but when two such chances as that came along, we could not pass them by.

Amel Stevens has entered the 4th grade.

Stories of Lincoln were told in the Intermediate room Monday.

The 4th grade has finished their physiology.

Nellie Courney is absent this week. One of the new iron swings is being put up this week.

The girls' basketball team gave a supper last week, which was a great success. The Misses Reynolds, Brown, McDermaid and Gendron had charge of the supper.

The girls are certainly making a wonderful record this year in basketball. Miss Paros is a good coach and the girls are enthusiastic.

Commercial arithmetic test was given this week.

Flora Malco, Florence Oliver, Clara Cameron and Herman Wilcox graduate this year. Herman Wilcox is president of the class.

### Lovells.

Mrs. Gutchak and children are visiting in Bay City with Mr. Gutchak and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Caid are enjoying a visit with their daughter, Mrs. Peoples and her children.

Dr. Kypport was a Lovells caller Saturday.

Marsella Luck spent Sunday with her parents, returning to school Monday.

Mr. Worst of Aurora, Ill., is spending a few days at the AuSable Ranch. T. E. Douglas was a Grayling caller Tuesday.

J. B. Redhead was in Lovells Tuesday. He reports Mrs. Redhead, who is spending the winter in Detroit, as slowly improving.

E. Kellogg's teams are making daily trips to town hauling pulpwood for shipment.

The school children are all better of their colds and able to be back to their daily duties.

Mrs. Caid was a Lewiston caller Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Eddy visited with relatives in Lewiston Monday.

### Eldorado Nuggets.

About noon last Saturday, as Geo. Royce was coming to Eldorado as Geo. Royce, he noticed a big smoke at the farm home of Charles Cook. He told James Williams, the nearest neighbor on the road, who hastened to the scene while Mrs. Williams aroused the neighborhood by phone. Before help could reach there, the house was completely burned, and the tool house and shop was on fire, and beyond saving. Mr. Cook was away at work in the woods and knew nothing of it until summoned by Mr. Russell, only Mrs. Cook and the two young daughters being at the house. Owing to the severe weather, Mrs. Cook's feet were badly frozen. Very few things were saved. They have the sympathy of the neighborhood.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd J. Fusch returned home Wednesday, after enjoying a two weeks visit in Flint and Detroit.

Fred Hartman, who has been suffering with a severe cold, is improving.

Miss Elizabeth Weber returned to her home Wednesday after spending two weeks with Mrs. Mattie Fusch during the absence of her son, Boyd.

There will be a dancing party at Temple theatre Tuesday evening, Feb. 20. You are cordially invited to attend. Clark's four-piece orchestra will furnish the music. This will be the last party before the Lenten season. Admission 75 cents per couple.

### About Constipation.

Certain articles of diet tend to check movements of the bowels. The most common of these are cheese, tea and boiled milk. On the other hand raw fruits, especially apples and bananas, also graham bread and whole wheat bread promote a movement of the bowels. When the bowels are badly constipated, however, the sure way is to take one or two of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper.

## Frederic News.

How do you like this 35 degrees below zero weather?

C. S. Barber is putting up ice to keep meat cool in his market for the coming season.

Mr. and Mrs. James have the sympathy of the community in the loss of their fourteen months old child, from whooping cough. Later a second child passed away and the funeral for both was held the same day, and the little bodies laid to rest in the same grave. Another of the James' children is very ill with the same disease.

Mrs. J. Q. Palmer, a resident of Frederic since 1879, passed away last Saturday night about nine o'clock. The funeral was held Wednesday morning at ten o'clock. The deceased leaves to mourn her, a husband, one daughter, Miss Dollie Palmer and three sons, Cornelius, William and George. They all have the sympathy of their many friends in their loss.

Another landmark in Maple Forest is gone. The Ed. Sherman home burned to the ground Sunday night. The occupants had a narrow escape for their lives.

### "War Brides."

"War Brides" introduces the great Russian tragedienne, Nazimova, to moving picture audiences. It is taken from her greatest stage success. The photodrama begins with a series of pictures of the lives of peasants, and their hard struggle for existence. Joan, the central figure, played by Nazimova, is loved by a young man of the village, and they are betrothed. Then comes the shadow of approaching war, and they are married. In a few weeks the young husband goes to the front, soon followed by his three brothers. Word is received that the husband has been killed, and Joan's impulse is to end her own life, but prospective motherhood recalls a new responsibility.

The military authorities begin a movement to get the young women of the neighborhood to marry departing soldiers, that the empire may have another generation of fighting men. Joan is aroused, and goes among the women urging them not to submit. For this she is imprisoned. Word is received that the King is to pass thru the village, and Joan escapes from her cell to organize the women in a general protest against the war. She leads them, all clad in black, in a long procession to meet the monarch. The soldiers threaten to shoot her unless she turns the women back, but Joan comes face to face with the ruler, and kills herself, as her message from the women, their refusal to make another generation victims of a ruthless militarism.

See it at the Grayling Opera, Thursday and Friday nights. Admission 15, 25 and 35 cents. Seats on sale at Central Drug store.

### Notice of Election.

To the qualified electors of the County of Crawford:

NOTICE is hereby given that a general primary election will be held in the several voting precincts of this County on Wednesday, the seventh of March, 1917 for the purpose of nominating candidates for the office of Circuit Judge of the 34th Judicial circuit, for all political parties, as prescribed by act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1909.

In witness whereof I have hereto affixed my signature at Grayling, this 25th day of January, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred seventeen.

2-15 W. H. Cody,  
Sheriff of Crawford County.

### Republican County Convention.

To the Republican electors of Crawford County:

A county convention of the Republicans of Crawford county is hereby called to meet at the Court house in the Village of Grayling in said county on Saturday the 17th day of February 1917, at two o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of electing 2 delegates to the Republican State convention, to be held in the city of Detroit, on Tuesday the 20th day of February 1917, and for to transact such other business that properly may come before said convention.

The several townships are entitled to the number of delegates as follows:

Beaver Creek—2  
Frederic—4  
Grayling—11  
Lovells—1  
Maple Forest—2  
South Branch—1  
Dated February 6, 1917.  
By order of the Republican County committee.

M. A. Bates,  
Chairman.

John J. Niederger,  
Secretary.

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10	Eczema, Eruptions.....	25
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12	Fever and Ague, Malaria.....	25
13	Piles, Blood or Bleeding, External, Internal.....	25
14	Catarrh, Influenza, Cold in Head.....	25
15	Whooping Cough.....	25
16	Asthma, Oppressed, Difficult Breathing.....	25
17	Disorders of the Kidneys.....	25
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Read Down.		Read Up.	
A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.
8:00	12:25	12:30	4:00
9:18	3:02	5:15	8:40
9:56	3:26	5:53	9:14
11:40	3:55	6:31	9:48
1:00	4:31	7:09	10:22
1:35	4:46	7:47	10:56
5:22	8:13	8:25	11:30
5:30	8:29	8:33	11:46
5:59	8:58	9:01	12:15
6:46	9:45	9:39	1:02
6:17	10:16	9:15	1:33

A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.
12:25	4:00	12:30	4:00
3:11	3:47	10:34	5:52
8:35	4:15	10:10	5:30
8:43	4:22	9:55	5:19
9:23	4:53	9:23	4:53
9:31	5:01	9:14	4:43
9:53	5:05	8:57	4:22
9:59	5:21	8:51	4:05
10:15	5:35	8:35	4:00

\* Daily, except Sunday.  
\* Local freight trains.

### Notice of Strayed Cattle.

Notice is hereby given by John O. Palmer of the township of Frederic, county of Crawford and state of Michigan, that on the 27th day of November, 1916, six (6) cattle strayed upon my premises and were there found by me and are now in my care and possession at my residence in the said township of Frederic. Said cattle are described as follows:

1 black heifer, with white tip on end of tail, about 15 months old, wearing small round bell fastened around neck with strap; 1 red and black steer, covered with warts, age about 13 months; 1 red and white heifer, age about 15 months; 1 black and white heifer, age about 15 months; 1 black and white heifer, age about 15 months; 1 black and white steer, age about 18 months.

Dated at Frederic, Mich., this 6th day of December, 1916.

Signed—John O. Palmer.  
1-11-6

### Mortgage Sale.

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage, made by Fred Esemann and Mary Esemann, his wife, of Wellington, Crawford County Michigan, to Orlando F. Barnes of Lansing, Michigan, dated the twelfth day of July, A. D. 1913, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 18th day of October, A. D